

Exhibit A



What are your thoughts about today

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It was unusual anatomy for sure. I think dissecting the SV all the way anteriorly and posteriorly go a long way towards being able to open a plane between the Rectum and the prostate as opposed to the rectum and the still attached SV... also helps later when going for the pedicles... Defatting the anterior fat pad completely from the lateral edges helps expose the endopelvic and helps release the prostate laterally all the way to the apex... also helps when coming across the apex later when it's completely released laterally... also makes the shoulders of the prostate clearer when choosing to come down the prostate/bladder... the anterior anastomosis could have used amputating the Pubic protuberance because it was getting real tight in there!

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Of course the Si isn't helping with the wrists and turning the needle

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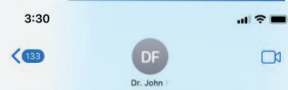
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The fat pad is almost always negative but it really does expose the endopelvic fascia and most importantly exposes the apex and urethra completely to have more to grab onto for the anastomosis

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He was pretty stuck down maybe post rectal biopsy, and stuck at the left apex too but again it's all this fat in the way in an already tight space thanks to his unusual anatomy. Already looked very weird from the get go

But it was an almost bloodless 5 hr case, clearly didn't go into prostate anteriorly and I think that apex was in fact NMB, anastomosis didn't leak visibly but the stump was way too high up due to his weird anatomy

Hopefully next time I assist I'll know your preferences and will get better used to the Si! And now that Allegra saw the procedure I'll have her do more of it and only hop in when she struggles

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